

STEWARDS' REPORT
DARWIN TURF CLUB
SATURDAY 23RD JULY 2016

Weather: Fine

Track: Good

Rail: True Position

Stewards: D Hensler (Chairman), L Twomey, R Hamilton, A Napier, R Merritt, L Jackson, S Copelin (Deputy), Z Gooden (Deputy), L Ross (Clerk of Scales)
Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic
Number of Races: 8
Number of Runners: 76
Stakes Paid: \$202,250

General from Saturday, 16th July 2016 – Race 1, GO! Handicap 1600m

Stewards today inquired into the reason for jockey K Cross being dislodged from her mount MITFORD GIRL shortly after the start. It was established that as the start was effected, MOONLIGHT HUSSLER (S Cahill) shifted outwards slightly dictating the racing line of MITFORD GIRL. At the same stage WAVING (S Ridler), commenced awkwardly and made contact with THING OF NOTHING (W Davis) and that runner was carried inwards causing crowding to MITFORD GIRL which subsequently blundered from heels and fell dislodging its rider. Jockey S Ridler explained that WAVING when having its first start with blinkers and pacifiers had not responded when he attempted to straighten his mount and as his mount's hind quarters had made contact with THING OF NOTHING, he had been unable to relieve the pressure despite his efforts. Stewards were satisfied on the evidence that no rider had ridden in a careless manner and as such no further action was taken.

General - Stewards today conducted compliance checks and stable inspections which included examinations of all runners engaged to compete at today's meeting.

Race 1: 0 - 66 Handicap 1200M

DANCING POETESS (R Vigar) - Raced wide throughout.

COSMO KING (NZ) (M Tyndall) - Commenced awkwardly.

Race 2 - Handicap 1100M

AFRICAN PULSE (M Tyndall) – Brushed with another runner approaching the 700m.

NEAT FEAT (R Oakford) – Crowded passing the 900m. Checked from heels near the 800m. Raced wide from the 600m.

GALLANT EXPRESS (S Ridler) – Brushed with another runner approaching the 700m becoming unbalanced and was subsequently restrained by its rider.

PERFECT PAUSE (K Gladwin) - Raced wide throughout.

General - On inquiry apprentice S Brown (CANALI) pleaded guilty to a charge of a careless riding under AR137(a) with the specifics being that he failed to make sufficient effort to prevent his mount from shifting inwards near the 800m resulting in NEAT FEAT (R Oakford) being checked from heels. Apprentice S Brown's permit to ride in races was suspended for a period of (2) DTC meetings commencing midnight tonight, 23rd July 2016, and to expire midnight 30th July 2016.

At a further inquiry it was established that near the 700m, AFRICAN PULSE (M Tyndall) shifted in and away slightly from CANALI resulting in GALLANT EXPRESS (S Ridler) being brushed and as a result became unbalanced and lost ground when restrained by its rider. Stewards were satisfied that no rider was at fault in this incident.

Race 3 - TROBIS MAIDEN PLATE 1100M

DISCO (P Denton) – Proved difficult to load.

KALIMNA (S Brown) – Lay outwards through the middle stages.

MAGIC GREG (R Oakford) – Had a tendency to lay inwards in the early and middle stages.

NEUROSURGEON (K Gladwin) – Slow into stride. A post-race veterinary examination was conducted with no abnormalities detected.

BOOMER JAMES (S Cahill) – Had a tendency to lay inwards when placed under pressure in the straight.

MI BEL FIO (M Tyndall) – Buffeted between runners shortly after the start.

PENNY FACE (C Spry) - Commenced awkwardly.

SHE'S NICE (F Bergstrand) - Raced wide throughout. Cast its near fore plate when running.

Race 4 - 0 - 62 Handicap 1000M

KILIM (S Cahill) – Crowded between runners and hampered shortly after the start. Steadied getting its head in the air passing the 650m when racing keenly. The Club veterinarian reported that the gelding had returned with a laceration to the near fore.

MYSTERY BLACK (K Gladwin) - Raced wide for the majority of the event.

BRANDY NAN (B Huppertz) - Raced wide throughout.

Race 5 - 0 - 58 Handicap Div 1 1300M

The start time on this event was delayed due to HARREBS TIME having to have a tongue tie refitted behind the barriers.

KRUPTOR (F Bergstrand) – Lay outwards rounding the first turn and again when placed under pressure in the straight.

MINE CRAFT (R Vigar) - Raced wide throughout.

HARREBS TIME (J Lyon) - Raced wide for the majority of the event.

HANTUCHOVA (P Denton) – Raced in restricted room rounding the first turn.

Race 6 - 0 - 58 Handicap Div 2 1300M

FRENCH TUSSON (S Brown) – Raced wide from the 600m.

BESTIHAVEEVERHAD (W Davis) - Raced wide throughout and tightened for room and restrained at the 450m. A post-race veterinary examination was conducted with no abnormalities detected.

BENTLEY TYCOON (S Cahill) – Held up for clear running from the 700m until leaving the 500m.

PERESSINI (P Denton) - Commenced awkwardly.

General - On inquiry jockey S Cahill (BENTLEY TYCOON) was found guilty of a charge of careless riding under AR137(a), with the specifics being that he permitted his mount to shift outwards when insufficiently clear near the 450m resulting in BESTIHAVEEVERHAD (W Davis) being tightened for room and restrained. Jockey S Cahill's licence to ride in races was suspended for a period of (1) DTC meeting commencing midnight tonight, 23rd July 2016, and to expire midnight 27th July 2016.

Race 7 - Handicap 1600M

ABU DHABI (\$3.40) – was declared a late scratching by order of the Stewards at 4.52pm under the provisions of AR8(u) following a report that the gelding had an injury to the near hind heel.

The following deductions were applicable to successful bets placed prior to 4.52pm.

OUR VALDIVIA	23c win	15c place
WHISTLE STOP		17c place
BIG MAN		19c place

After taking initial evidence from stable representative Mr G Kennewell and the Club veterinarian Dr J Fairbrother, Stewards adjourned the inquiry into the circumstances leading to the withdrawal of ABU DHABI until Tuesday 26 July, 2016. Connections were advised that a veterinary certificate of soundness must be presented for the gelding prior to racing again.

SPARTAN EAGLE (F Bergstrand) – Brushed and carried inwards passing the 1400m. Carried inwards and impeded from heels near the 650m.

General – On inquiry jockey C Spry (MONTALTO) was reprimanded for careless riding under AR137(a) for shifting inwards near the 650m resulting in SPARTAN EAGLE (F Bergstrand) being carried inwards and impeded.

Race 8 - 0 - 70 Handicap 1600M

CELEBRAKTI (R Oakford) – Under pressure leaving the 600m and yielded in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination was conducted with no abnormalities detected. Trainer G Clarke subsequently advised that the gelding will now have a let up.

MORE THAN FRANK (S Brown) – Got its head in the air at the start. Raced wide throughout.

MOONLIGHT HUSSLER (K Gladwin) – Bumped at the start.

VODIANOVA (S Ridler) – Commenced awkwardly and lost ground.

MR PORTER (R Vigar) – Raced wide for the majority of the event.

Summary

Swab samples were taken from all winners and WHISTLE STOP. Pre race samples were taken from AIR STRIKER, CANALI, VIA MAZZINI, OUR SWAGMAN, CHETTALLI, PERESSINI, TRANCING, CELEBRAKTI and all runners engaged in race 7.

Fines

Race 1 – Trainer M Boothby fined \$100 for the late notification of rider - NT129

Race 4 – Trainer D Bates fined \$100 of the late notification of riders – NT129

Race 6 – Jockey F Bergstrand fined \$100 for a whip breach (2 extra hits) – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)

Race 7 – Jockey S Cahill fined \$200 for a whip breach (2 extra hits) – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)

Race 8 – Jockey S Cahill fined \$200 for a whip breach (2 extra hits) – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)

Race 8 – Jockey J Lyon fined \$200 for a whip breach (4 extra hits) – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)

Reprimands/Warnings

Race 7 – Jockey C Spry reprimanded for careless riding – AR137(a)

Suspensions

Race 2 – Apprentice S Brown suspended for 2 DTC meetings for careless riding – AR137(a)

Race 6 – Jockey S Cahill suspended for 1 DTC meeting for careless riding – AR137(a)

Embargoes

Race 7 – ABU DHABI will require a veterinary clearance

D Hensler

NT Chairman of Stewards